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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Thank you for your letter and for sending the books. Here is my check in amount of \$17.

I'm very sorry to hear that you have been having a siege with phlebitis, and glad to know that your health is improving. Hope that improvement continues steadily and powerfully.

Agree with what you say about contacts with Congress and recent headlines. My 51% optimism is based on people waking up, changed attitudes toward FBI, more knowledge about the domestic outrages of Gov., Mark Lane's return to the field & his experience at Purdue (Ansen p.337), the revelations of the assassination-proneness of CIA, articles in Playboy, Penthouse, Gallery -(and Nat'l. Enquirer & Nat'l. Tattler even though a good deal is sensational & untrue/ in these tabloids.) Competent young men like Ansen and Reffman writing good books, O'Toole, especially O'Toole.

What you say about McDonald's book interests me of course, and reinforces my own feeling that "Saul's" story - as told here - is a phony. But I continue to feel that McDonald is probably sincere but has been made use of by the CIA or other agency of the Intelligence Community. Agree McDonald shows little familiarity with the case or with the work of the critics - and evidently knows next to nothing about the Sirhan, Ray & Bremer cases - but if someone really believes he has a true lead, the most vital thing is to do something about that. McDonald seems to me to be a kind of breakthrough, a spearhead - someone high in the Police Establishment, imbued with police mentality, who nevertheless disbelieves the Warren Report and seems capable of leading and influencing others of the Police Establishment. One person can do so much. A retired Sheriff who can write that the American people are fed to the teeth with lies, that

"America, at the seat of government, is so sick that many doubt its ability to recover . . . How much of this can be traced directly to that first deliberate outrage perpetrated against the American people, The Warren Commission Report?" is, in my opinion, on the right side, no matter if he has been taken in and used by clever minions of the power structure - a Dept. of Disinformation operation, as you say.

The danger of course lies in what I am sure is a fraudulent explanation - "Saul's" confession. I think the important thing now is to reinforce McDonald's original doubts about "Saul's" veracity. So - I've just "talked" myself into writing a letter to The Hugh McDonald Publishing Corp.

This is just my gut feeling about him. I have not heard anything from others. Don't worry about anything being "unwelcome" to me so long as it is honest. (There are a no. of people I don't trust)

Always glad to hear from you - but I do not at all expect an answer, especially in view of your illness. Thank you for kind things you say about me.

All good wishes for the New Year,

Sincerely,

McDonald Goldfarb